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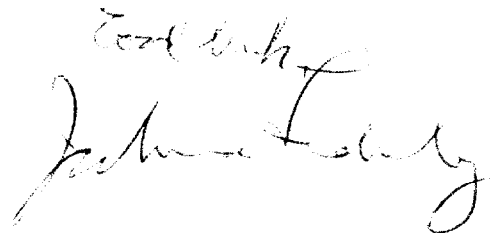
Dear Tetsuo-

I really don't know very much about Post College except that Demerec went there after he retired from Cold Spring Harbor. Its vicinity to CSH (and generally to NY) should be an attractive factor. I think your letter is a very wise one. A very important question is the quality of the existing facilities, maybe Tatum or Zinder could tell you more about that. I am favorably impressed that Hoxie reacted so quickly and vigorously on my advice. I know that Post is trying to make a major new start in its development. You should have little trouble getting all the financial support you need to do your work just right; and if nothing else the CSH labs should help in the intellectual environment.

It is quite possible that equally or more attractive positions may become available in the U.S. However, it is also awkward to negotiate them at such a distance.

If you are reasonably happy in your ability to continue your important work at Misima, there may be little point in your moving. Certainly you have excellent colleagues. But I don't know whether the economic situation has improved or not, and this should have the most important bearing on whether you have the tools to do your work. If you do not have adequate support, you must complain about it (I realize how unJapanese this is!) and even, ultimately, express that complaint by leaving. But if things are continuing to move in a favorable direction, you would think differently about this.

At any rate, it is important that your superiors not be too complacent in their evaluation of you and your world-reputation as a scientist.



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